



TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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MEETING MINUTES

Monday, June 2, 2008

Call to Order 7:00 pm

Present: Chair Gretchen Duffield, Russ Holden, Harold Klei, David Lewcon, Peter Lewis and Tracy Tibedo. Also present was Megan DiPrete, Director of Department of Planning & Economic Development

Absent: Al Jones

RDA, continued – 21 Moorland Dr. Knox Map 12B Lot 4748. The Commission reviewed the photos, and discussed the results of their site inspections. The embankment would be no steeper than 2:1 (2 feet horizontal for every 1 foot vertical). It would not require altering the existing drainage outfall. **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to issue a Negative Determination of Applicability for the work to expand the “yard” area contingent upon establishing silt fence and haybales at the slope base prior to starting work, with bank stabilization occurring during the work, and permanent stabilization occurring as soon as possible. Seconded by Mr. Tibedo, the motion carried 5:1, with Mr. Holden opposed.

DEP #312-609, Request for Certificate of Compliance, 79 River Road. Upon review of the file and site observations, **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to issue a full Certificate of Compliance. Seconded by Mr. Holden, the motion carried unanimously.

DEP #312-549, Request for Certificate of Compliance, Edgewater Place Subdivision. Upon review of the file and site observations, **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to issue a full Certificate of Compliance. Seconded by Mr. Tibedo, the motion carried unanimously.

DEP #312-654, Request for Certificate of Compliance, 316 Crownshield Ave. The Commission previously denied a request for C of C and determined that the as-built condition did not comply with the original approval. Mr. Enoch Mayfield was present and indicated his wish to purchase the property. However, he indicated he was unable to secure financing with the current permitting situation. Mr. Mayfield further indicated his intent to perform restorative and stabilization work. Upon review of the file and discussion of the site condition, **MOTION** by Mr. Tibedo to issue a Certificate of Compliance. Mr. Tibedo advised extreme caution to preserve the integrity of the nearby stream. Seconded by Mr. Klei, the motion carried 5:0:1 with Mr. Holden abstaining because he is not familiar with the site.

DEP #312-515, Request for Certificate of Compliance, Olde Canal Village. Upon review of the file and discussion of site observations, **MOTION** by Mr. Tibedo to issue a Certificate of Compliance. Seconded by Mr. Klei, the motion carried unanimously.

V# 1207 Healy - 280 Chocolog Road (Map 44, Parcel 272), discussion, continued. Mark Anderson of Heritage Design Group was present on behalf of the applicant. He indicated that on May 5th the Commission voted to approve a restoration plan for the site. Since then, trees and grass have been planted in accordance with that approved plan. He reported that the beavers are no longer active at the location, but the water level has not receded notably. He is present because Ms. DiPrete conveyed the Commission's wish to continue discussing this project.

Following discussion, Mr. Anderson indicated he would provide additional planting and restoration plans for the Commission's additional consideration a subsequent meeting.

NOI – DEP# 312-881 The Renaud Companies, off Rogerson Crossing (Rogerson Commons) (Map 12B, Parcels 3768 & 4561), cont'd – Mark Anderson of Heritage Design Group and attorney Steve Rodolakis were present on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Anderson provided an overview of the project. Stormwater Management will be the responsibility of the condo association, articulated in a master deed. In response to questions, Mr. Anderson indicated that the proposed bridge is located in a gravelly area with fast-moving river water, and little if any vegetation will be impacted by the resulting shade. The site sits approximately 15 feet above the 100-year flood hazard elevation.

MOTION by Mr. Tibedo to issue an Order of Conditions with all standard conditions, and additionally require appropriate wetland signage (location and details to be approved by the Commission), and that the conditions of approval be placed on the record plan set. Seconded by Mr. Klei, the motion carried unanimously.

Request for Determination of Applicability – Flagg Realty, Map 50 Lot 4024, off Quaker Highway. Mark Anderson of Heritage Design Group was present on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Anderson indicated that there is no earth work proposed. The proposal is to clear vegetation in accordance with the requirements of the Dam Safety plan. **MOTION** by Mr. Klei to issue a Negative Determination of Applicability for the work described in the filing. Seconded by Mr. Tibedo, the motion carried unanimously.

NOI – DEP # 312-885, Flagg RV, 865 Quaker Highway (Map 50 Lot 4024) – Work consisting of grading and excavation within 100-foot wetland buffer zone. Mark Anderson of Heritage Design Group was present on behalf of the applicant. The work involves only the "parking lot" side of the embankment; no work is proposed on the "pond" side. **MOTION** by Mr. Tibedo to issue an Order of Conditions with all standard conditions. Seconded by Mr. Klei, the motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Pout Pond, Discussion. The Commission considered changes to the Land Use Regulations for the site relative to vehicular use of the beach, and relative to gas-powered boats in the water. There has been significant damage to the newly restored lawn areas, erosion on the beach, and potentially compromise of the septic system due to automotive vehicles travel in these areas. There is a user conflict when vehicles, particularly those with trailers, are using the beach area where people are located. And the environmental concern of having unrestricted fuel use in the Pond is significant. A specific proposal will be considered at the next meeting.

Mr. Tibedo left the meeting at this time.

Minutes. MOTION by Mr. Klei to approve the minutes of the 5/19/08 Conservation Commission meeting as drafted. Seconded by Mr. Holden, the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Mr. Holden to approve the minutes of the 5/5/08 meeting as drafted. Seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion carried 4:0:1 with Mr. Holden abstaining since he was not present at that meeting.

MOTION by Mr. Klei to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Lewis, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:
